

**IN THE DRAWINGS:**

Please replace the current Figure 1 with a revised Figure 1. The revised figure is designated by a legend that indicates that the diagram of an example application packet exchange between a local node and a host node indicating sources of latency is Prior Art as required by MPEP § 608.02(g).

## **REMARKS**

### **Claims**

Upon review of the Examiner's Amendment included in the Notice of Allowance, it is unclear whether the claims have been amended by the Examiner as indicated in the Examiner's Amendment or that the Examiner requests that the Applicants amend the claims as indicated. Therefore, in an abundance of caution, Applicants have indicated herein that the claims specifically pointed out by the Examiner in the Examiner's Amendment as either being labeled "Currently Amended" or "Confirming Examiner's Amendment." If the Examiner requests that the Applicants amend the claims as indicated in the Examiner's Amendment, Applicants request the amendment of claims 1, 10, 18, 25 and 29 and the cancellation of claims 2, 19 and 23 as presented herein. Otherwise, Applicants are confirming the amendments to the claims indicated by the Examiner in the Examiner's Amendment.

### **Drawings**

A replacement sheet for Figure 1 stating "Prior Art" is submitted with this amendment as requested by the Examiner in the Examiner's Amendment.

### **Conclusion**

Applicants respectfully request entry of this amendment after allowance filed under 37 CFR §1.312 and the accompanying remarks. In addition, Applicants respectfully invites the Examiner to contact Applicants' representative at the number provided below if the Examiner believes it will help expedite furtherance of this application.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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